## MICR-BASED OPTICAL CHARACTER RECOGNITION SYSTEM AND METHOD

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A character recognition system and method. The system comprises an (OCR) optical character reader system for collecting character data by electro-optically scanning printed characters; a conversion system for converting the character data to a Magnetic Ink Character Recognition (MICR) format; and a recognition engine for interpreting the converted character data using a MICR algorithm.